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PRODUCTION REPORTS OF VEREINIGUNG VOLKSEIGENER WERFTEN (8 pp; [REDACTED])

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Comment: The attached [REDACTED] of VVW (Vereinigung Volkseigener Werfte - Federation of People-Owned Shipyards) reports, on the construction of fishing vessels and the repair of Soviet vessels, show in detail the difficulties resulting from the shortage of material at the Warnow-Werft and the Schiffswerft Wismar. The lack of 500 tons of shipbuilding material (sheets 8 - 22 mm thick) at Schiffswerft Wismar appears to represent the most serious bottleneck.

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The document is a [REDACTED] of three production reports, dated [REDACTED] addressed to the Ministry for Machine-Building, Main Administration for Shipbuilding, Department for Fishing and Inland Shipbuilding.

The first report, by the Federation of People-Owned Enterprises (VVB) for Ocean-Going Shipbuilding at Warnemuende, covers the status of ^{work} ~~production~~ at the Warnow shipyard at Warnemuende and at the Wismar shipyard. It lists a total of eighteen ships, all with Russian names, states the percentage of ~~production~~ work completed or the number of manhours worked on them during the first 10 days of December 1950, and then goes into detail on the difficulties which prevent more rapid completion of the work.

The second and third reports, issued by the Federation of People-Owned Shipyards at Rostock, list similar production data for the lugger construction program at the People's Shipyard at Stralsund, the Peene Shipyard at Wolgast, and the Shipbuilding and Repair Yard at Stralsund, and for the seiner construction program at the Ernst Thaelmann People's Shipyard, the ship salvage enterprise at Stralsund, a shipyard at Fuerstenberg, the State Shipyard at Rothensee, and the Peene Shipyard at Wolgast. Mention is also made of two cutters under construction at the Yacht Shipyard in Berlin. The two reports are very similar, having been prepared only a week apart, and in general they refer to the same vessels: a total of 23 different luggers, and the same number of seiners. A few references are made to difficulties in ~~procure~~ procuring materials, particularly machinery.

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